Joseph F. Bataillon,

of Nebraska, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nebraska, vice Lyle E. Strom, retired.

Harold Walter Geisel,

of Illinois, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Mauritius and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Federal and Islamic Republic of the Comoros.

Aubrey Hooks,

of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of the Congo.

Robert Krueger,

of Texas, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Botswana.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released March 5

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Announcement of the President's request to Congress for \$914.3 million in emergency supplemental appropriations

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry announcing the President's acceptance of recommendations for responding to terrorist attacks in Israel

Released March 6

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Transcript of a press briefing by Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy Barry McCaffrey on the national drug control strategy and the White House Leadership Conference on Youth and Drugs

Announcement of nomination for U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit

Announcement of nomination for U.S. District Judge for the District of Nebraska

Released March 7

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry announcing the Presidential delegation to the inauguration of Jorge Sampaio as President of Portugal

Released March 8

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Transcript of a press briefing by Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, Labor Secretary Robert Reich, National Economic Adviser Laura D'Andrea Tyson, and Council of Economic Advisers Chair Joseph Stiglitz on the economy

Egypt-U.S. joint announcement on the Summit of the Peacemakers in Egypt on March 13

Acts Approved by the President

Approved March 5

H.R. 1718 / Public Law 104–112 To designate the United States courthouse located at 197 South Main Street in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, as the "Max Rosenn United States Courthouse"

Approved March 7

H.R. 2196 / Public Law 104-113 National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995